

BARNSTABLE COUNTY, MA

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	221	144	158
Acreage	4,746	5,340	D
Average size (acres)	21	37	D
Median size (acres)	6	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	329,469	386,004	319,338
Machinery/equip (dollars)	32,189	32,301	31,149
Cropland (acres)			
Total	2,493	D	1,864
Harvested	2,111	1,447	D
Irrigated	1,825	1,273	1,265
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	18,225	8,700	6,800
(dollars avg. per farm)	82,466	60,415	43,041
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	31,837	15,788	12,963
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	69	D	D
Beef cows	D	D	D
Milk cows	D	D	D
Hogs and pigs	D	16	17
Sheep and lambs	106	61	128
Layers 13 wks or/older	3,287	D	D
Broilers and chicken (sold)	0	D	D
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	D	D	0
Corn, silage or green chop	D	D	D
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	N	N	N
Barley	N	N	N
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	N	N	N
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	4	4	D
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	D	D	D
Vegetables			
Number of farms	32	26	20
Acreage	178	246	249

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Orchards			
Number of farms	13	10	9
Acreage	26	78	38

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture